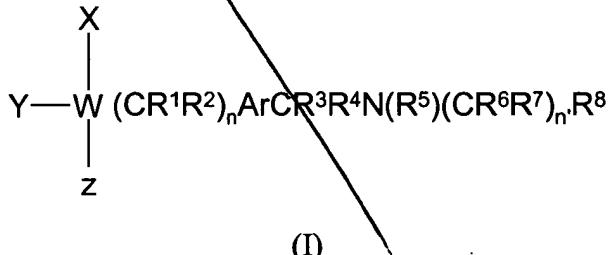


AMENDMENT

In the Claims:

Please replace present claims 1-3 with the followings claim 1-3:

1. (Amended) A compound according to Formula I:



wherein, W is a nitrogen atom and Y is void or, W is a carbon atom and Y=H;

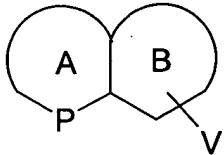
R¹ to R⁷ may be the same or different and are independently hydrogen or straight, branched or cyclic C₁₋₆ alkyl;

R⁸ is an optionally substituted heterocyclic group or an optionally substituted aromatic group

Ar is an aromatic or heteroaromatic ring optionally substituted at single or multiple, non-linking positions with electron-donating or withdrawing groups;

n and n' are independently, 0-2;

X is a group of the formula:



wherein, Ring A is an optionally substituted, saturated or unsaturated 5 or 6-membered ring, and P is an optionally substituted nitrogen atom and wherein any heteroatom in ring A or B is N;

wherein Ring B is an optionally substituted 5 to 7-membered ring;

wherein Ring A or Ring B is bound to group W from any position through group V;

wherein V is a chemical bond or V is a (CH₂)_{n''} group (where n''=0-2), or V is a C=O group; and

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wherein Z is selected from the group consisting of: a hydrogen atom; an optionally substituted C₁₋₆ alkyl group; a C₀₋₆ alkyl group substituted with an optionally substituted aromatic or heterocyclic group; an optionally substituted C₀₋₆ alkylamino or C₃₋₇ cycloalkylamino group; and an optionally substituted carbonyl group or sulfonyl; and the pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salts thereof; and

any stereoisomeric forms and mixtures of stereoisomeric forms thereof.

2. (Amended) The compound of claim 1, wherein Ring A is selected from the group consisting of: pyridine; pyrimidine; pyrazine; pyridazine; triazine; piperidine; piperazine; imidazole; pyrazole; and triazole and the optionally substituted forms thereof.

3. (Amended) The compound of claim 1, wherein Ring B is selected from the group consisting of: benzene and a 5 to 7-membered cycloalkyl ring; and the optionally substituted forms thereof.

Please cancel claims 97, 99-101.